

## **Committee Notes – Joint Meeting**

### **Security Committee- Hollywood Entertainment District, Sunset and Vine BID**

**May 8, 2014**

#### **Hollywood & Highland BID Security Office**

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Attendance: **HED Committee Members present:** Carol Massie, Monica Yamada, Galo Medina. Not present: Charlie Colletta, Chairperson; Derrick Malec, and Chad Lewis. **SVBID Committee Members present:** Fabio Conti, Katie Seymour. Not present: Fred Rosenthal, Anthony Bell, and Elizabeth McDonald. **Liaisons:** Steve Seyler, Joe Salazar, and Bill Farrar, Mike Harkins, Andrews International; Deputy Delbert Moore, Sgt Tomas Rodriguez, LASD. Lt. Marc Dibell, SLO Danny Pesqueira, SLO Irv Isabella, LAPD. Staff: Kerry Morrison and Joe Mariani Jr., Hollywood Property Owners Alliance.

I. Call to Order: The meeting was called to order by Sunset & Vine BID Committee member Carol Massie at 10:05 a.m.

II. Public Comment: There was no public comment.

III. Meeting Notes: The committee reviewed the meeting notes from their April 10, 2014 meeting.

IV. Reports

A. Report from Andrews International

1. Annual Report: Steve Seyler distributed his report for the period 3-10-14 through 4-6-14. Seyler shared information about the weekly feedings occurring on Ivar in front the library which is causing a critical mass of transient individuals loitering. He also shared a story of working in partnership with LAPD to connect a homeless man, who had been traumatized since 9-11, with his mother in Colorado. He was placed in a 5150 hold for evaluation. Between the two BIDs, at present there have been 314 private person's arrests.

B. Report from LAPD: Lt. Dibell reported on observations that gang activity is increasing in parts of Hollywood at night. A recent incident at Premiere Supperclub on Las Palmas involved some south-end gangs, one man was killed outside the club. He indicated that LAPD has been conducting traffic stops for DUI and are finding guns in cars. A recent "birthday party" slated for Pig n Whistle was actually a gang-related birthday party, and the owners agreed to shut the party down. This type of cooperation is very helpful. Dibell mentioned that there is a party bus task force now two times a month. There are 65 officers assigned to the Hollywood Entertainment District unit, though not all will be patrolling on a single night.

C. Report from LA Sheriff's Department: Deputy Moore reported that crime along the metro system is at a ten-year low. Parking lots are also increasingly safe. Arrests are largely for possession of drugs, with a significant heroin problem at 5<sup>th</sup> and Broadway.

D. Report from the Alcohol Task Force: Kerry Morrison indicated that there was cooperation from three businesses that service small inexpensive alcohol products: 7-11, CVS Pharmacy and Pla-Boy Liquors. For one month, they will refrain from selling these products, so the BID can register whether there is any difference. A meeting of the Task Force is scheduled for March 25, and at that time, the group will also discuss how a public information campaign, to discourage giving money to panhandlers, could be crafted.

V. Old Business

A. Nightclub trends: Morrison distributed a chart which listed every establishment in the two BIDS with a 47 or 48 liquor license. The list called out closed and open businesses and also depicted clubs that had "issues" in the 2008-13 period, compared to now. The bottom line is that where there were 27 clubs

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with issues in the latter period, there are only 7 now. Morrison plans to work with SLO Pesqueira to corroborate this list and create a map.

VII. Next Meeting: The next meeting is scheduled for Thursday, May 8, 2014.

VIII. Adjournment: There being no further business the meeting was adjourned by Carol Massie.